

AS

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 93-738-W/S - ORDER NO. 96-849  
DECEMBER 6, 1996

IN RE:	Application of Carolina Water Service, Inc. for an Increase in Rates and Charges for Water and Sewer Service.	)	
		)	ORDER
		)	APPROVING
RE:	Request of Carolina Water Service, Inc. for Modification to its Current Tariff	)	REQUEST TO
	Allowing the Company the Option to Bill Monthly or Bimonthly in Arrears.	)	MODIFY TARIFF

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("the Commission") on the request of Carolina Water Service, Inc. ("CWS" or "the Company") that its tariff be modified to allow the Company to bill its customers either monthly or bi-monthly in arrears, as determined by the Company.

By its request, CWS states that it has recently received several requests from its customers regarding the possibility of converting from a bi-monthly billing cycle to a monthly billing cycle. CWS's currently approved tariff provides that "recurring charges will be billed bi-monthly in arrears." As a result of the customer requests for monthly billing, CWS requests a modification to its tariff that reads as follows:

Recurring charges will be billed bi-monthly or monthly in arrears. Billing frequency shall be determined by the Company.

CWS offers that the request tariff modification will allow CWS to

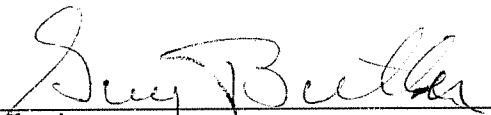
be more responsive to its customers.

Upon consideration of this request, the Commission believes that the requested tariff modification should be approved.

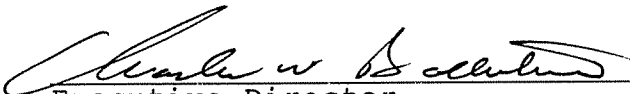
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The tariff modification as stated above is approved.
2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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